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"SHIELD-82" ACTIVITY

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: SOVIET AND BULGARIAN NAVAL, GROUND, AND AIR FORCES, WHICH ARE INVOLVED IN THE WARSAW PACT EXERCISE "SHIELD-82", ARE OBSERVED IN THE SOZOPOL, BURGAS, AND VARNA AREAS IN SOUTHERN BULGARIA.

2. (SWN) REMARKS: GROUND ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED AT SOZOPOL WHERE TWO BIVOUAC AREAS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED APPROXIMATELY 0.5 NM INLAND AND 2 NM EAST OF SOZOPOL (GRAPHIC 2 OF 4). THIS AREA
[REDACTED] EACH BIVOUAC AREA
CONSISTS OF SMALL TENTS AND AT LEAST 30 VEHICLES. IN ADDITION, A PROBABLE MERCURY PLATE DEPLOYMENT IS AT 43-17N 028-00E, APPROXIMATELY 4 NM NORTHEAST OF VARNA. NO OTHER GROUND RELATED ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED.

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(SWN) THE KIEV GUIDED MISSILE V/STOL AIRCRAFT CARRIER (CVHG) AND ONE KASHIN GUIDED MISSILE DESTROYER (DDG) ARE ANCHORED OFFSHORE AT VARNA PORT FACILITIES [REDACTED] (NOT ON GRAPHICS). THE KIEV HAS AT LEAST THREE PROBABLE HELICOPTERS ON DECK AND A SMALL UTILITY BOAT ALONG THE STARBOARD SIDE. BULGARIAN NAVAL ACTIVITY INCLUDES THE DEPARTURE OF TWO RIGA FRIGATES (FF), THREE POTI PATROL ESCORTS (PG), AND FOUR VANYA-II COASTAL MINESWEEPERS (MSC) FROM VARNA NAVAL BASE (BE [REDACTED] THESE VESSELS WERE OBSERVED DEPARTING THE PORT ON TWENTY-TWO PROBABLE BULGARIAN VYDRA UTILITY LANDING CRAFT (LCU) AND ONE TANKER ARE IN VARNENSKO LAKE, JUST WEST OF THE PORT FACILITY, CONDUCTING UNIDENTIFIED AMPHIBIOUS ACTIVITY.

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(SWN) ONE GROUP OF EIGHT VYDRA LCU IS STAGING OFF THE NORTHERN SHORE OF THE LAKE. AN ADDITIONAL VYDRA LCU IS BEACHED NEXT TO VARNA/VARNENSKO OZERO HELIPORT [REDACTED] (GRAPHIC 3 OF 4). ANOTHER GROUP OF 13 VYDRA LCU IS STAGING OFF THE SOUTHERN SHORE. AN UNIDENTIFIED TANKER IS ANCHORED IN THE SOUTHERN STAGING AREA IN THE VICINITY OF THE VYDRA LCU. ONE OF THE VYDRA IN THIS AREA IS ALONGSIDE A SMALL FINGER PIER (GRAPHIC 4 OF 4).

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